

The Honorable James L. Robart

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

HOWIE SALETELE ALUALU,

Defendant.

No. CR19-215-JLR

FINAL ORDER OF FORFEITURE

THIS MATTER comes before the Court on the United States' Motion for Entry of a Final Order of Forfeiture for the following property:

- One Smith and Wesson .22 caliber handgun, bearing serial number HHT4579, and any associated ammunition; and
- One Winchester bolt action rifle, bearing serial number G943850, and any associated ammunition.

The Court, having reviewed the United States' motion, as well as the other pleadings and papers filed in this matter, HEREBY FINDS that entry of a Final Order of Forfeiture is appropriate for the following reasons:

- In the Plea Agreement that Defendant Alualu entered on June 10, 2020, he agreed to forfeit his interest in the above-identified property as property

involved in or used in the offense of Felon in Possession of a Firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), to which he entered a guilty plea (Dkt. No. 33, ¶ 7);

- On August 14, 2020, the Court entered a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture, finding the above-identified property forfeitable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) and forfeiting the Defendant's interest in it (Dkt. No. 38);
- Thereafter, the United States published notice of the pending forfeiture as required by 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(1) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure ("Fed. R. Crim. P.") 32.2(b)(6)(C) (Dkt. No. 47), and also provided direct notice to a potential claimant as required by Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(6)(A) (Declaration of Assistant U.S. Attorney Krista K. Bush in Support of Motion for Entry of a Final Order of Forfeiture, ¶ 2, Exhibit A); and
- The time for filing third-party petitions has expired and none were filed.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COURT ORDERS:

1. No right, title, or interest in the above-listed property exists in any party other than the United States;

2. The property is fully and finally condemned and forfeited, in its entirety, to the United States; and

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3. The United States Department of Justice, and/or its representatives, are authorized to dispose of the property in accordance with the law.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 29th day of January, 2021.


THE HON. JAMES L. ROBERT
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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